

**ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY SCHOOLS-SHS  
REGULAR AND HONORS VIRGINIA AND US HISTORY  
COURSE DESCRIPTION**

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Students will explore the historical development of people, places, and patterns of life from Early European Exploration and Colonization to Contemporary America. The study of history requires the knowledge of dates, names, places, events, and ideas. Students will demonstrate skills for historical and geographical analysis as well as interpretation.

SOL units and competency information-[www.doe.virginia.gov](http://www.doe.virginia.gov)

End of Course- **VA/US HISTORY SOL**

**TEXTBOOK (Regular and Honors):** *The Americans*

**MATERIALS REQUIRED:**

1. At least 2 inch binder with dividers
2. At least 2 highlighters
3. loose leaf paper
4. pens, pencils
5. lined index cards-2 packs

**\*\*NO SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS**

**CLASSROOM RULES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Tardies count.
2. Students must put all purses and backpacks under desk and begin **bellwork** upon entering class.
3. When the teacher is talking-the student is not.
4. Student will bring materials to class daily. **Teacher will not supply pens, pencils, or paper.**
5. No food or drink allowed in class.
6. Participation is required for student's success in individual and group work.
7. Cell phone and electronic device rules will be followed and appropriate discipline will result with violations.
8. Students will not throw anything in class.
9. Teacher, student, and school property will be treated with respect.
10. Student must ask permission before moving about the room.

***\*\*It is the student's responsibility to keep all work and notes in a binder.***

**MAKEUP WORK & LATE WORK :**

A student who misses assigned work due to an absence should arrange to make up work within five (5) days of absence.

**An assignment with a due date made prior to the absence is due upon the student's return to school.**

**Teachers may use professional discretion in rescheduling any important test(s) for a student who**

**missed essential class review during the absence. A one-time penalty of fifteen points may be assessed for late work.**

Upon the student missing an assignment deadline, the teacher will contact the parent to establish a new final deadline. A teacher must speak directly with a parent prior to assigning a zero for any **major** assignment.

**Permanent 0's on assignments can have a serious effect on a student's average. Your child may have a 0 as the result of missed work from a recent absence. Since the work may still be made up, then he/she must speak with me immediately.**

**ASSESSMENTS/GRADES:**

80% of the nine weeks grade is comprised of:	<b>Regular</b>	<b>Honors</b>
Tests	55%	60%
Course Work	30%	30%
Homework	15%	10%

**20% of the nine weeks grade is comprised of the final exam.**

**The final course grade is comprised of the average of the two nine weeks averages.**

**GRADING SCALE**

**A 93-100 A- 90-92 B+ 87-89 B 83-86 B- 80-82 C+ 77-79 C 73-76 C- 70-72  
D 65-69 F 64 and below**

**STUDENT SIGNATURE\_\_\_\_\_**

**PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE\_\_\_\_\_**